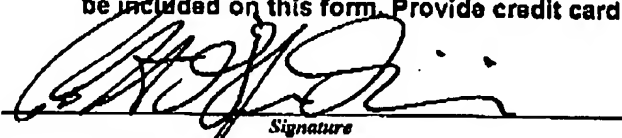
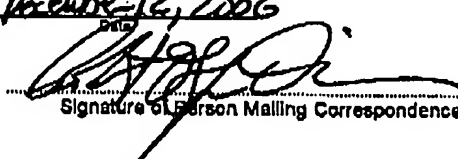


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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) (Large Entity)					Docket No. 10290	
In Re Application Of: CASH, Mary Jean; COWAN, Patrick J.; and KROON, Gijbert						
Application No. 10/722,888	Filing Date 11/26/2003	Examiner ISSAC, Roy P.	Customer No. 28006	Group Art Unit 1623	Confirmation No. 1668	
Invention: Soluble, Associative Carboxymethylcellulose, Method Of Making, And Uses Thereof						
<p style="text-align: center;">COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:</p> <p>This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of <u>October 12, 2006</u> in the above-identified application. <small>Date</small></p> <p>The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> One month <input type="checkbox"/> Two months <input type="checkbox"/> Three months <input type="checkbox"/> Four months <input type="checkbox"/> Five months</p> <p>from: <u>November 12, 2006</u> until: <u>December 12, 2006</u> <small>Date</small> <small>Date</small></p> <p>The fee for the extension of time is \$120 and is to be paid as follows:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 08-1800 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 08-1800 <input type="checkbox"/> Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.</p> <p>WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.</p> <p> <small>Signature</small></p> <p>Robert O'Flynn O'Brien Reg. No. 55,629</p> <p>Dated: December 12, 2006</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;"><p>I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS CORRESPONDENCE IS TRANSMITTED BY FACSIMILE TO THE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE IN ACCORDANCE WITH 37 CFR §1.6(D).on</p><p><u>December 12, 2006</u> <small>Date</small></p><p> <small>Signature of Person Mailing Correspondence</small></p><p>Robert O'Flynn O'Brien <small>Typed or Printed Name of Person Mailing Correspondence</small></p></div>						

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